IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claims 1-7 (Canceled).

Claim 8 (Currently Amended): A method for protecting at least two metal-containing structures[[,]] applied to a substrate against corrosive attacks, the method comprising:

applying at least temporarily to <u>one of the at least two metal-containing structures</u>

structure an electric passivation voltage in a range of passivation of a relevant conductive material of the one of the least two metal-containing structures,

wherein a potential difference between the one of the at least two metal-containing structures and another of the at least two-metal containing structures is at a level of the electric passivation voltage.

Claim 9 (Currently Amended): A method according to Claim 8, <u>further comprising:</u>

wherein <u>using</u> the electric passivation voltage is used simultaneously as a measuring voltage for a sensor.

Claim 10 (Previously Presented): A method according to claim 9, wherein the sensor is a capacitively operating moisture sensor.

Claim 11 (Previously Presented): A method according to claim 8, wherein a sinusoidally oscillating AC voltage is used as the passivation voltage.

Claim 12 (Previously Presented): A method according to Claim 11, wherein an amplitude of the passivation voltage is between 0.75 V and 1.75 V.

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Claim 13 (Previously Presented): A method according to claim 12, wherein the amplitude of the passivation voltage is 1.1 V.

Claim 14 (Previously Presented): A method according to Claim 11, wherein a frequency of the passivation voltage is above 2000 Hz.

Claim 15 (Previously Presented): A method according to claim 14, wherein the frequency of the passivation voltage is between 2000 and 4000 Hz.

Claim 16 (Currently Amended): Application of the A method according to claim 8, wherein to at least one of the at least two metal-containing structures applied to the substrate are included in one of [[,]] a moisture sensors sensor, a breakage sensors sensor, antennas an antenna, and a heating conductors conductor.

Claim 17 (Currently Amended): Application A method according to Claim 16, wherein the structures are deposited on glass or plastic panes substrate is one of a glass or plastic pane.